

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 44, 110 and 111 as follows.

44. (Currently Amended) A container for storing an item, comprised of:  
a first container portion having a ~~side wall~~ sidewall that defines ~~an~~ a first interior space;  
a second container portion defining ~~an~~ a second interior space that is configured to store a writing instrument, the second container portion being positioned ~~on~~ in a fixed relationship to the sidewall of the first container portion;

the first container portion having a closure attached thereto by a hinge, the closure being moveable between a closed position ~~closed~~ on the container and an open position permitting access to the first interior space;

wherein the closure is provided with a timepiece ~~in~~ which is visible on a side of the closure facing the first interior space, ~~the~~ which timepiece ~~being~~ is visible when the closure is in the open position and which timepiece is not visible when the closure is in the closed position.

110. (Currently Amended) In combination, ~~the container of claim 44:~~

(a) a container for storing an item, comprised of:

a first container portion having a sidewall that defines a first interior space;

a second container portion defining a second interior space that is configured to store a writing instrument, the second container portion being positioned on the sidewall of the first container portion;

the first container portion having a closure attached thereto by a hinge, the closure being moveable between a closed position on the container and an open position permitting access to the first interior space;

wherein the closure is provided with a timepiece which is visible on a side of the closure facing the first interior space, the timepiece being visible when the closure is in the open position; and

(b) a pair of eyeglasses stored within the first container portion.

111. (Currently Amended) In combination, ~~the container of claim 44:~~

(a) a container for storing an item, comprised of:

a first container portion having a sidewall that defines a first interior space;

a second container portion defining a second interior space that is configured to store a writing instrument, the second container portion being positioned on the sidewall of the first container portion;

the first container portion having a closure attached thereto by a hinge, the closure being moveable between a closed position on the container and an open position permitting access to the first interior space;

wherein the closure is provided with a timepiece which is visible on a side of the closure facing the first interior space, the timepiece being visible when the closure is in the open position; and

(b) a writing instrument stored within the second container portion.

112. (Previously Presented) In combination, the container of claim 111 and a pair of eyeglasses stored within the first container portion.